



Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ October 2, 2016

Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the Lord who made us. ~Psalm 95:6



Weekly Mass Intentions



Mass Intentions

Saturday October 1

8:00am- †
5:00pm- † Henrietta Walsh

Offered by:
By: daughters, Pat & Martha

Sunday October 2

8:30am- † Isabel Maria Quiñones
10:00am- † Pedro (*Bubu*) Julio Hilerio, Jr.
11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: daughter, Marta
By: Garay & Zukowski Family

Monday October 3

8:00am- † Esposito Family
12:05pm- † Frank Gonda

Offered by: Annette Esposito
Offered by: Tony Raisley

Tuesday October 4

8:00am- † Dominic, Lucia & Caterina Zappone
12:05pm-~In Thanksgiving to St. Francis Assisi

By: Pat, Sue, Maria & Dominic
Offered by: Joyce Pepo

Wednesday October 5

8:00am- †
12:05pm- † Marie Micillo ~Anniversary in Heaven~

Offered by:
By: daughter, Theresa Contardo

Thursday October 6

8:00am- †
12:05pm- † Ciro "Jerry" Mezzacappa

Offered by:
Offered by: Tony Raisley

Friday October 7

8:00am- †
12:05pm- † MaryAnn Fair

Offered by:
Offered by: Theresa Contardo

Saturday October 8

8:00am- †
5:00pm- † Walter & Jean Wright

Offered by:
Offered by: Rafaella LaMorte

Sunday October 9

8:30am- † MaryAnn Fair
10:00am- † Edward & Dolores Zukowski
11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Offered by: Oliveras Family
By: Victoria & Wilfredo Garay

Weekly Memorials

- Bread & Wine
- Tabernacle Candle
- Memorial Candle
- Memorial Candle



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Liturgical Minister's Schedule OCTOBER 2016

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

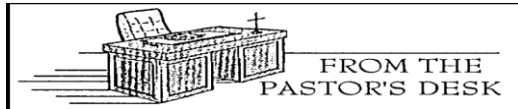
Lector: Linda Graves & Tom Ventrudo (*carry Gospel Book*)
E. M.: Linford Smith, Peg & Tom Ventrudo Sub: Cinderella Wonsewitz

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Lector: Johnathan Codipilly & Samuel Torres (*carry Gospel Book*) Sub: Joan Knighton
E.M.: Joan Fortunato, Linda Torres & Samuel Torres Sub: MaryAnn Ugbo

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Alexis Crowdell (*carry Gospel Book*) Sub: Thelma Washington
E.M.: Theresa Contardo, Emmanuel Fode & Thelma Washington Sub: Dianne Murphy



"For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control." In this admonition, St. Paul reminds us of the great gift that is the Holy Spirit.

All of us have received the gift of the Holy Spirit in baptism. The Spirit we have received is a Spirit of power. How our lives and our world would be transformed if all Christians allowed the power of the Spirit of God to take full possession of them! St. Paul surrendered completely to the power of God at work in him. He allowed that power to lead him on his great work of evangelization and to sustain him when that work caused him great suffering and great hardship. Through the power of the Spirit of God at work in him, St. Paul brought the Gospel of Christ to all of the then known world. Many of us are afraid to follow the example of St. Paul because we want to control our lives, control the measure to which God directs our lives, and we want to limit the measure to which our faith influences our lives. All of us need to pray daily for the grace to grow in our willingness to give full freedom to the power of God within us.

The Spirit of love that is within each of us is the love that is God. The love that is God is a love that is compassionate, merciful, and faithful, gives welcome to all, and is a total gift of self. Do others see in us the love of God? Do they see that we have allowed the Spirit of love that is God to take full possession of our hearts?

The Spirit of self-control reminds us that we are not slaves to our passions and desires. We can conform our lives to what God desires for us with the help of the Spirit of God within us. What are the disordered passions and desires that we need to control in our lives so that we can live in conformity with what God wills for us? Do we seek the help of the Spirit within us to grow in our capacity to control our desires so that we live in greater faithfulness to God?

We are blessed to have the Spirit of God within us! Now we have to allow that Spirit to operate with full freedom within us in order to transform us and through us our world.

Fr. Mark Hallinan, S.J.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

These readings are found complete on our parish web page (www.olmcsi.org). Click on "USCCB Daily Readings."

TODAY: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4
2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14
Luke 17:5-10

Next Sun: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kings 5:14-17
2 Timothy 2:8-13
Luke 17:11-19



SKIP DESERT THIS WEEK SO THAT YOU CAN REALLY ENJOY YOUR SPAGHETTI DINNER – Our spaghetti dinner will be on Tuesday, October 11th, in the cafeteria of our grammar school. Lunch will be served from 12 pm to 3 pm and dinner will be served from 5 pm to 8 pm. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children under 12 years of age. We welcome donations for gift baskets – premium wines or liquor, restaurant gift certificates, certificates for professional services, gourmet food items. Donations can be left at the rectory. Please consider volunteering to help at either lunch or dinner. Simply leave your name, contact information and the time you prefer to work in the rectory office. We look forward to seeing you on October 11th – arrive slim and leave full!

GIRLS BASKETBALL – – If you have a young daughter who is in 4th or 5th grade this year and she wants to participate in a basketball program in our school gym on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., please contact Coach Vincent for more information at 718-490-6235.

BIBLE STUDY – Our Director of Adult Sacraments, Colin Voutrinet, will continue to offer his popular Bible studies program. Upcoming dates: October 1st and 15th and November 5th and 26th. Classes begin at 10 a.m. All are welcome!

TEST FOR ADMISSION into CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS (TACHS) - The Test for Admission into Catholic High Schools, the entrance test for all Catholic High Schools in the Archdiocese of New York, will be offered on Friday, November 4, 2016 in selected high schools throughout the Archdiocese. **Register Now** online at www.tachsinfo.com or by telephone from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. at 1-866-618-2247. Register as early as possible.

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES:

Catholic High Schools of Manhattan featuring 11 schools – **TODAY** - Sunday, October 2 – 12 noon to 2 p.m. at Xavier High School 30 West 16th Street in Manhattan

MOORE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL – **TODAY** – Sunday, October 2 – 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. – 100 Merrill Avenue, SI

REGIS HIGH SCHOOL – Jesuit – Monday, October 10th (Columbus Day): 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

XAVIER HIGH SCHOOL – Jesuit – Saturday, October 22: 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. – 30 West 16th Street in Manhattan

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY STATEN ISLAND – Sunday, October 23: 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. – For young women – 134 Howard Avenue

St. JOHN VILLA ACADEMY – Saturday, October 29: 11:00 – 3:00 p.m. – 25 Landis Ave. SI – For young women

NOTRE DAME MANHATTAN – Sunday, October 30: 2:30 – 5:00 p.m. – 327 West 13th St. For young women

St. PETER'S BOYS HIGH SCHOOL – Sunday, October 30, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. 200 Clinton Avenue on SI.

A PILGRIMAGE of MERCY – Saturday, October 15th, to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Cardinal Dolan will lead the prayer that day. Cost is \$40.00 and includes a boxed dinner. Bus will be leaving from Our Lady of Pity at 6am with a 10pm return. Register at: www.archny.org/mercy. If you would like to go and it is difficult for you to use the computer, visit the office and we'll help you.

PRAYER BEFORE OUR NATIONAL ELECTION – Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our city, state, and nation and how your Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community. We ask you for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty. We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned, men and women oppressed because of their race or creed, religion or gender. We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your Kingdom. We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your Word, live your love, and follow the way of your truth so that our nation might fulfill its promise of liberty and justice for all. This we ask in the name of the One who is our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ. *Amen.*

MEN'S CONFERENCE - Saturday, October 29th, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Hilton Westchester, Rye Brook. The day will feature Cardinal Dolan, Mike Piazza, and Al Kelly, business executive. Fellowship, spiritual enrichment and practical insights on how to live your faith. \$50 fee includes lunch. Register at: www.archny.org/mensconference.

WEEKLY OFFERING: September 24: \$5,002. *Thank you!!*

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI - OCTOBER 4 - Francesco Bernardone was born in Assisi, Italy. The son of a wealthy silk merchant, he survived severe illness as a young soldier and prisoner of war, and he decided to serve God and the poor. After using family money to restore the local church building, he was disinherited by his father. He lived on alms, continuing to repair churches and working to build up the Church by preaching repentance. He recruited others, and a rule was approved. By 1219, they numbered 5,000. Francis inspired thousands to lead lives of poverty, simplicity and humble service, delighting in creation and consumed with love for Christ. May we follow his advice: "Sanctify yourself and you will sanctify society." *Living with Christ* Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.